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1. This is a report listing destroyer-type vessels and their characteristics as I remember them from visual observation of the vessels and conversations with navy officers. The ships are listed by the general area of their operations. Most of these ships have been built since 1935, but many of them are of pre-revolutionary construction.

On large type Soviet Navy vessels the full name of the ship is printed on its bow. On destroyer and smaller type ships, however, a two letter abbreviation is used instead of the full name of the vessel. I have written these abbreviations after the names of the destroyers listed below.

2. The destroyer-type ships in the Baltic Sea area are:

The LENINGRAD - LG, Leader destroyer (lider-krupnyy minonosets)  
The MINSK - MK, Leader destroyer

These ships were constructed in Leningrad during 1935-36. The main engines consist of steam turbines for driving twin screws. The characteristics of the ships are:

Displacement	3,000 tons, approximately
Speed	35-36 knots
Horsepower	75,000 hp, approximately
Length	140 meters
Width	14 meters
Draft	3.7 - 4 meters
Armament	5 - 130mm guns (orudie)
	2 - 75mm guns (orudie)
	2 - 37mm guns (pushka)
	6 - 54cm torpedo tubes in two mounts of three.

The LIKHOTY - LKH, Destroyer (eskadrennyy minonosets-esminets)  
The GNEVNYY - GV, Destroyer (eskadrennyy minonosets)

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The GORDYY - GD, Destroyer (eskadrennyy minonosets)  
 The GREMYASHCHIY - GM, Destroyer  
 The GROMKIY - GK, Destroyer  
 The GROZYASHCHIY - GZ Destroyer  
 The GROZNYI - GN, Destroyer  
 The GROZVOY - GR, Destroyer  
 The SMETLIVYY - SV Destroyer  
 The STREMITEL'NIY - ST, Destroyer

These ships were constructed in Leningrad from 1936 to 1938. The characteristics of the ships are:

Displacement	1600 tons
Speed	37 knots
Armament	4 - 130mm guns (orudie)
	2 - 75mm guns (orudie)
	6 - 54cm torpedo tubes in two nests of three
	4 - depth charge racks

The KARL MARKS - LKH, Destroyer (eskadrennyy minonosets)  
 The KALININ - KL, Destroyer

These ships were constructed in Russia during 1916 and 1917. The main engines are steam turbines which drive twin screws. The characteristics of the ships are:

Displacement	1,300 - 1,400 tons
Speed	28 knots
Horsepower	33,000 hp
Length	100 meters
Width	9-10 meters
Draft	3 meters
Armament	5 - 100mm guns (orudie)
	1 - 75mm gun (orudie)
	1 - 37mm gun (pushka)
	9 - 45cm torpedo tubes in three mounts of three.
	60 mines

The ENGEL'S - ET, Destroyer (Eskadrennyy minonosets)  
 The LENIN - LN, Destroyer  
 The ARTEM - AT, Destroyer  
 The VOLODARSKIY - VA, Destroyer  
 The URICKIY - UR, Destroyer

These ships were constructed in Leningrad during 1915 and 1916. The main engines are steam turbines. The characteristics of the ships are:

Displacement	1300 tons
Speed	30 knots, approximately
Horsepower	30,000 hp, approximately
Length	95-100 meters
Width	9-10 meters
Draft	3 meters
Armament	4 - 100mm guns (orudie)
	1 - 75mm gun (orudie)
	1 - 37mm gun (pushka)
	9 - 45cm torpedo tubes in three nests of three
	60 mines

### 3. Destroyer-type ships in the Black Sea area are:

The MOSCOW - MS, Leader destroyer

This ship is of the same class as the LENINGRAD and the MINSK.

The BESPOSHCHADNIY - BP, Destroyer (Eskadrennyy minonosets)

This ship belongs to the same class as the STREMITEL'NIY.

The DZRRZHINSKIY - DZH, Destroyer (Eskadrennyy minonosets)

This ship was constructed in Nikolaev from 1916 to 1919. The main engines are steam turbines. The characteristics of the ship are:

Displacement	1300 tons
Speed	25-26 knots
Horsepower	30,000 hp, approximately
Length	100 meters
Width	9-10 meters
Draft	3 meters

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Armament 4 - 100mm guns (orudie)  
 1 - 75mm gun (orudie)  
 1 - 37mm gun (pushka)  
 2 - machine guns  
 12 - 45 cm torpedo tubes in four mounts of three  
 60 mines

The FRUNZE - FN, Destroyer (Eskadrennyy minonosets)

This ship was constructed in Leningrad about 1914. The main engines are steam engines.  
 The characteristics of the ship are:

Displacement	1,300 tons
Speed	25 knots
Horsepower	30,000 hp
Length	95 meters
Width	9 meters
Draft	3 meters
Armament	4 - 100mm guns (orudie) 1 - 75mm gun (orudie) 1 - 37mm gun (pushka) 9 - 45cm torpedo tubes in three mounts of three 60 mines

4. Destroyer-type ships in the Far East area are:

The VOYKOV - VK, Destroyer (Eskadrennyy minonosets)  
 The STALIN - SL, Destroyer

These ships were constructed in Leningrad about 1916. The main engines are steam turbines which drive twin screws. The characteristics of the ships are:

Displacement	1,300 tons, approximately
Speed	28-29 knots
Horsepower	30,000 hp, approximately
Length	95 meters
Width	9 meters
Draft	3 meters
Armament	4 - 100mm guns (orudie) 1 - 75mm gun (orudie) 1 - 37mm gun (pushka) 9 - 45 cm torpedo tubes in three mounts of three. 60 mines.

Translator's note: The Russian word orudie is used when referring to guns with a bore of 75mm or larger, and the word pushka refers to guns with a bore of 37mm to 74mm.

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